

7. Leave us not, INDRA, but share our  
joy ; thou  
art our protection, thou art our  
kindred; LSDBA,  
leave us not.<sup>1</sup>

8. Sit with us, LSTDKA, at the oblation  
to drink  
the *Soma* ; ilAGHAYAX, perform a mighty  
protection  
for thy worshipper, (seated) with us at  
the oblation.

9. Thunderer, neither gods nor  
mortals equal  
thee by their acts; thou surpasses all  
beings by  
thy might, the gods equal thee not.

10. <sup>2</sup>The assembled (priests) have  
roused LSIDEA,  
the leader, the conqueror in all battles;  
they have  
created him (by their hymns) to shine,  
—him the  
mightiest in his acts, the smiter of  
enemies for  
spoil, the terrible, the most powerful,  
the stalwart,  
the furious.

11. <sup>3</sup>The EEBHAS have together praised  
INDRA  
that he may drink, the *Soma*; when  
(they praise)  
the lord of heaven that he may wax  
strong (by the  
oblations), then he, observant of pious  
rites, is united  
to his strength and his protecting  
guards.<sup>4</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Sama Yeda, I. 3. 2, 2. 8, with, *sadhamddye*.  
Cf. also Tiii.  
3. 1.

<sup>2</sup> Sama Teda, I. 4. 2. 4. 1; II. 3. 1. 14. 1,  
with several

Variations in the second line.

<sup>3</sup> Sama Yeda, II. 3, 1. 14. 3, mth *mm* v and  
*swakpatih* for  
*sam im* and *swahpatim*.

<sup>4</sup> Sc. by the praises of the worshippers lie  
acquires strength,  
and the M.aruts are Ms guards.